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In The Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 1, line 5, following "This application is" kindly insert --a continuation of U.S.

Serial No. 08/512,861 by Thompson, entitled "Improved RNA Polymerase III-Based Expression of Therapeutic RNAs," filed August 7, 1995, <sup>now US Patent No 6,146,886</sup> incorporated herein by reference in its entirety, including drawings, which is--

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